

The Story of a Tin Box.
The Washington Correspondent of the Tribune, tells the following curious story:
Several months after the close of the war a tin box was given to Gen. Spinner, Treasurer of the United States, by Mr. Stanton, then Secretary of War, for safe keeping. The box

part of the Treasury. The certain national bank suspended, with a heavy indebtedness to the Government. A United States Quartermaster who had got into trouble in his official capacity, was indebted to this bank for the sum of \$30,000, and the box deposited by Spitzer was said to contain that amount of money belonging to the Quartermaster. The bank engaged the services of an eminent lawyer of New York city as its attorney, and he immediately began proceedings to have the box opened and the money taken out and paid over to the Government to liquidate a part of the bank's indebtedness. The attorney has been at work more than a year to accomplish his object, but it was said that the Government has succeeded against his efforts. He had been refused by Secretary McCulloch, who referred him

Investigation was the person who had conferred with Mr. Callahan, who asked him to consider. Several months passed, and Mr. McCulloch laid the case before the President, and he thought it a subject for a Cabinet consultation. It was accordingly discussed in Cabinet meeting, but before a conclusion could be reached the impeachment complication occurred, and changes in the administration were then found necessary to bring the subject before the President with its new members. This was done, and it was decided that the power to open the box lay with the Secretary of War. To-day the War Secretary detailed Gen. Hardee of his staff to accompany the bank attorney and open the contents of the box examined. They found that the rules of the Treasury Department required

ally, Wilson was sent for. Gen. Spinner then called the general of his confidential clerks as well as additional witnesses. The whole party was greeted by the hopeful and triumphant atmosphere, went to the vaults. The box was brought out from a dusty corner, for inspection. It was unlocked and sealed, but there was no key. After some delay a locksmith was secured and the box was opened, and found to contain an old leather valise, and a woman's shawl and water-tight foot locker, labelled as follows: "Taken from the person of Jefferson Davis at the time of his capture by Col. Pritchard of the U. S. A." General Hardee at once departed for the War Department. The attorney has gone to New York, and Gen. Spinner is still laughing at the funniest joke of the season.

An immense audience, was again assembled in the Music Hall, and the gallant general and prudent governor could not have many doubts as to the feeling of his listeners towards himself personally, for cheer after cheer and round upon round of applause greeted his appearance. The speaker was plain, that a great deal of credit was expected from the lecturer, whose military and civic distinctions, added to honors well won in the fields of learning and literature, make his name eminent even upon a list of very eminent speakers.

pleasant to speak. Governor Chamberlain's type both in oratory and composition certainly is more reasonably near to being unexceptionable. His voice is full, rich and sonorous; his manner bright and interesting, and his gestures graceful and impressive. He has no bearing as one neither of affectation, vanity nor timidity, but is manly, dignified and self-possessed.

THE REVENUE.—The New York Times makes the following sensible suggestion to the President:

Now the election is over, cannot President Johnson afford to let this country have the benefit of an honest administration of the Internal Revenue law? Why may not Superintendents be appointed in the various districts, s

—It was lately rumored in Paris that M. Emile de Girardin had gone to Spain. He has been declared in *La Liberté*: "I did not go to Spain yesterday, since I am still in Paris; and it is even very doubtful if I do go to Spain. I am not trained to play the part of the fly with

"It is believed the French Chambers will be in session about the middle of December. I am sure, however," which repeats this rumor, adds: "The French Government is doing a great deal of activity in the different Ministries in preparing the elements of the budget which will form the principal discussion and leading interest of the next session." The general election will be held in June or July.

"When Thackeray was a candidate for Oxford, he wrote to Dickens very much as follows: 'I want you to come and introduce me to everyone. Nobody has ever heard of me, but I have found a dozen or so who know something of me.'"

—Mr. Andrew Jackson Davis, known as the Poughkeepsie Seer, some twenty years ago expatiated in public his impressions of the nature and central heat appear to derive confirmation from the recent observations of the scientists who examined that planet during its last eclipse.

round, has the deed made out "to God Almighty, His heirs and assigns forever," and the deed is so recorded.

—Colonel Kennedy, commanding the Royal Artillery stationed in Canada, died suddenly in Montreal a few days since. He had been an officer in the British army thirty-eight years and yet had never seen service in the field. He is spoken of as a soldier of the Havelock type, and will be very much regretted by all.

—Edmund About, who began his career as Liberal, and afterwards made money by the support of Imperialism, has performed a new somersault, and now clamors for parliament

—An *acrobate* is deemed significant in Paris. —
 About would hardly have made it unpleasant. —
 It was very certain the majority were going to
 tumble over the same way. It has not been
 long since M. Ad. Gueroult, of *L'Opinion Pub-
 licationnelle*, made the same leap. The French are
 daily becoming more desirous of a government
 such as they "were blessed with" in the days
 of Louis Philippe.

—Cincinnati thieves chloroform their victims
 by means of a sponge on a pole carefully
 thrust through a window, after which they
 break open the door with impunity.

—A well-known wealthy Parisian has had
 himself visited by an eminent artist who

was" represents him, as the age of twenty-five, a poor devil in ragged garments with toes peeping through holes in his shoes, slinking, half-famished, by the side of a wall. "he is" figures him fat and jolly as an old man, well dressed, with gold chains decking his waistcoat, and diamond rings blazing on his fingers. And in "as he will be" he is made a hideous corpse. These pleasingly suggestive pictures are hung up in his drawing-room.

—Lorenzo Dow defined death-bed repentance to be burning out the candle of life in the service of the devil, and blowing the snuff from the face of Heaven.

marked in his address at Worcester on Wednesday—"A college diploma; like a good coat may be an advantage, but it will not make a man."

—Horace Mann, the eldest son of the late Hon. Horace Mann, died at Cambridge, Mass. on Thursday. He was only twenty-four years of age; but he had already become known for his abilities and his devotion to his studies as a naturalist.

—Mr. Roebuck has become anxious lest he should lose his seat in Parliament, and has been electioneering energetically. He made a speech at Sheffield the other day, in which he

to ask a workman, "What time is it?" often, you know, but from time to time!

—The Feast of the Immaculate Conception, which occurs on the 8th of December, is to be in future, a Holiday of Obligation in the United States.

A Mrs. Tucker of Georgia has written a list of Brick Pomeroy. One of her statements puzzles both the Democratic and Republican critics: "His ears are *large*," she observes. "And indicate the Democratic element of character."

The health of Gen. Rawlins, chief of staff of the Gen. Grant, is very precarious. He undoubtedly

way that serious fears for the country are
 pertained.

